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THE COMIC

HOG
THE
LIME-
LIGHT!

NEW
STORY

KNUCKLES!
THE GHOST SHIP!

PLUS
TAILS!
SHINING
FORCE!

NEW
ZONE

SATURN G ZONE!
GREEN GRAPHIC ZONE!
COMPUTER PIXEL ZONE!



CONTROL ZONE

Hey, Boomers!

Spring has almost sprung, so it must be time for my annual circuit and chrome service. In tune with my make over, this issue of STC's looking rather spick and span ...

Sonic, Amy and Johnny venture into enemy territory in Mission to the Metropolis Zone! Knuckles has a brush with Captain Plunder when they pair up for a new six part voyage - no doubt you'll be hooked! There's plenty more swashbuckling in part two of Shining Force, and Tails is in a hole with Tantrum in Fox on the Run.

The Graphic Zone goes green to coincide with St Patrick's Day. Your computer artwork is also featured this issue in the Pixel Zone, proving what a multi-talented bunch of Boomers you are!

If you want to know the secrets of Sega's energetic Echidna, don't forget to order the first ever Knuckles Knockout Special, on sale 25 May. Meanwhile, I have to prepare for the Easter issue due out in two weeks' time, so enough rabbit from me - see you then for an even more eye-citing read!

Megaboy

E-MAIL ALERT!

Calling all STC Speedtrack users! Boomers with access to a computer, a modem and an e-mail service should note that STC's e-mail number has changed. Now if you want to send messages faster than the speed of the great blue hedgehog, type the following address into your software ...

stc@egmont.co.uk

We require that you have a valid e-mail address to register for STC. We will help with games (though you can send your questions for Q Zone to us).

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MEGA DRIVE

- 1 ● FIFA SOCCER '96
- 2 ↑ SONIC AND KNUCKLES
- 3 ↓ PREMIER MANAGER
- 4 ● MICRO MACHINES '96
- 5 ● MICKEY MANIA
- 6 ● PGA TOUR GOLF '96
- 7 ↑ ECCO 2: THE TIDES OF TIME
- 8 ↓ MICRO MACHINES 2
- 9 ● BRIAN LARA CRICKET
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- 1 ↑ EARTHWORM JIM
- 2 ↓ B.C. RACERS
- 3 ● SOULSTAR
- 4 ● LETHAL ENFORCERS
- 5 ↑ FIFA INTERNATIONAL SOCCER
- 6 ↑ BRUTAL: PAWS OF FURY
- 7 ↓ WORLD CUP USA '94
- 8 RE SEGA CLASSICS
- 9 ↓ ETERNAL CHAMPIONS
- 10 RE MICKEY MANIA

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- 1 ● SONIC THE HEDGEHOG 2
- 2 ↑ STREETS OF RAGE
- 3 ↓ JAMES POND 2 - ROBOCOD
- 4 ● ECCO THE DOLPHIN
- 5 ↑ DESERT STRIKE
- 6 ● SONIC THE HEDGEHOG
- 7 ● ROBOCOP V TERMINATOR
- 8 RE DONALD DUCK
- 9 ↓ DESERT SPEED TRAP
- 10 ↓ WOLFSCHILD

GAME GEAR

- 1 ● CJ'S ELEPHANT ANTICS
- 2 ↑ SONIC THE HEDGEHOG
- 3 ↑ SONIC DRIFT RACING
- 4 ↑ SONIC THE HEDGEHOG 2
- 5 ↑ DRAGON: THE BRUCE LEE STORY
- 6 RE ECCO 2: THE TIDES OF TIME
- 7 ↓ STAR TREK: GENERATIONS
- 8 ↑ PRIMAL RAGE
- 9 RE TAZ-MANIA: ESCAPE FROM MARS
- 10 NEW CASINO FUNPACK

SONIC

THE HEDGEHOG

Mission to the Metropolis Zone

COMPLETE
STORY

Script
Lew Striegler

Art
Roberto Corrao

Coloring
Steve White

Lettering
Steve Potter

MIDNIGHT IN THE METROPOLIS ZONE
AT THE HEART OF DOCTOR ROBOTNIK'S
EVIL EMPIRE

ARE
YOU SURE
IT WAS WISE
FOR US TO
COME HERE,
SONIC?

OBEY

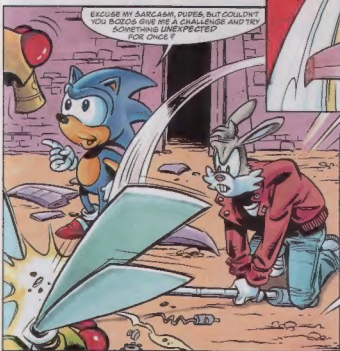
STAY COOL, JOHNNY!
WORD ON THE STREETS IS THAT
ROBOTNIK'S HEAD BOON, COMMANDER
BRUTUS, HAS GONE A.W.O.L.* AND OLD
EGG BRAIN CAN'T COPE WITH THE
REDUCED MANPOWER!

* ABSENT WITHOUT
LEAVE
MEGADROID.

SONIC'S RIGHT!
WE CAN TAKE
ADVANTAGE OF
THE SITUATION
AND SABOTAGE
ROBOTNIK'S
PLANS!

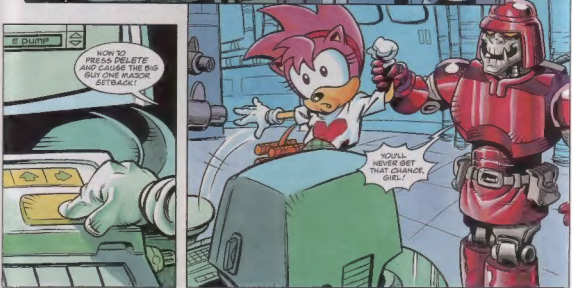
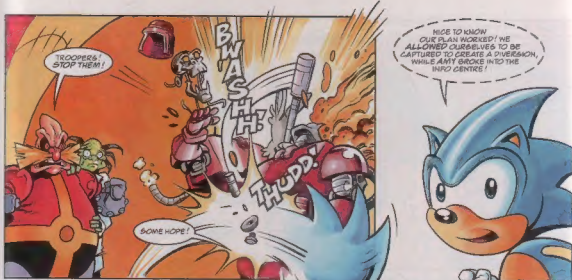
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JUST HOPE
IT WORKS!

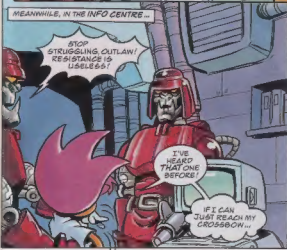
HEADS UP
GANG! WE'VE BEEN
SPOTTED!

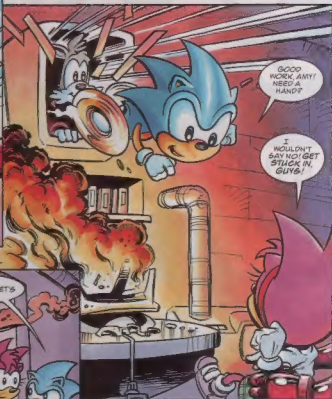












SOON AFTER...

WELL, THE PLAN WORKED BUT I'VE GOT A FEELING ROBOTNIK'S GOING TO BE MORE DETERMINED THAN EVER TO DESTROY US NOW!



GRAPHIC ZONE

SHOW STC WHAT YOU CAN DO WITH IMAGINATION AND A SHEET OF PAPER.
BOOMERS WHO GET THEIR ARTWORK PRINTED WILL RECEIVE A PACK OF CRAYOLA PENS.

BONO
Sonic

Even better than the
real thing?



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Sonic in the best of elf!



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The Emerald Head Bangers

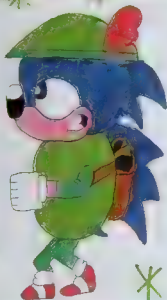


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PLUNDER AND HIS CREW



KNUCKLES

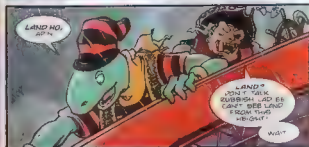
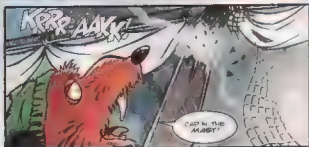
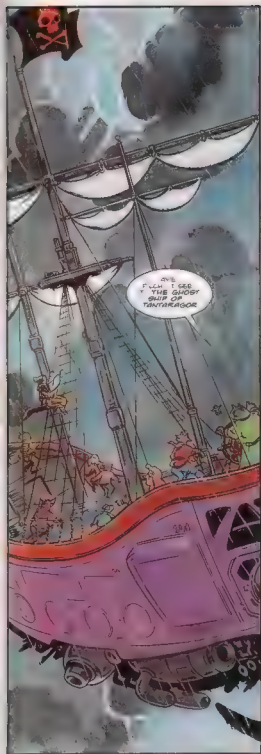
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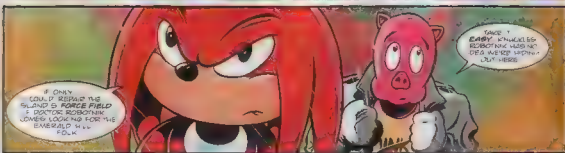
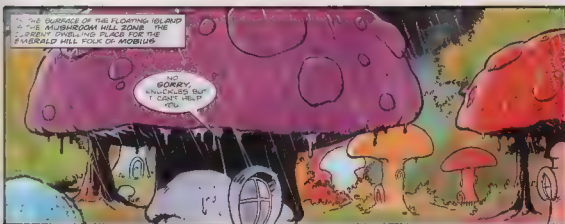
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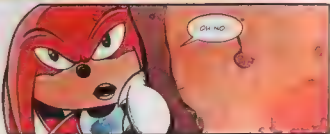
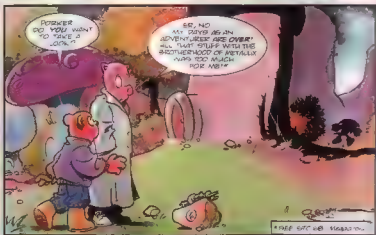
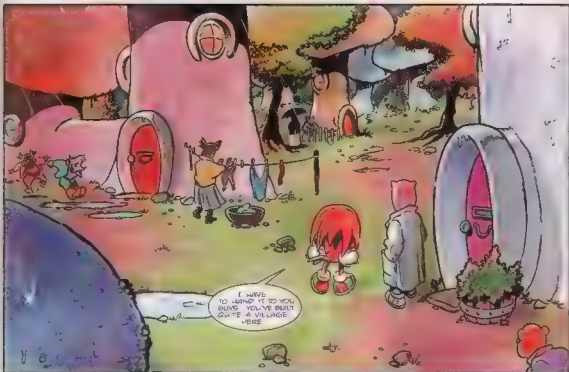


IT'S
NO GOOD,
CAPTAIN. WE'VE GOT
TO TURN
BACK.











WELL, I'VE GOT
KNUCKLES.

THAT
BE GOOD FORTUNE
NOTED THE OLD MATE
AUSIE I BE NEEDING
A LITTLE
FAVOUR!

WUT DREW NEVER MAKE DEALS WITH WASTES.

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YEARS OF PEACE ON GRANSEAL ISLAND
ARE ABOUT TO COME TO AN END

SPEAK PEASANT!
WHAT HAS BECOME
OF THE PILOT OF THIS
FLYING MACHINE?

IS THE
METAL
MAN?

SHINING FORCE

THE DUNGEON
OF ZEON

YES
THE ROBOT
KNOWN AS
ZEKKI!

SPEAK QUICKLY
WHILE YOU ARE
STILL ABLE.

HE WENT INTO THE TALL
BUILDING ON THE FAR SIDE
OF THE TOWN SQUARE

THANK YOU
FOR YOUR
CO-OPERATION
MY GOOD
MAN

TUD

AGHH!

HMMM...IT
WOULD SEEM OUR
GLARRY HAS RUN
TO "ROUND"

MEANWHILE ON THE MAINLAND OF RUNE
BENEATH THE ANCIENT TOWN OF RIBBLE

NO! YOU
CAN'T DO THAT
YOU HAVE NO
PERMISSION!

ON THE CONTRARY TREVELLON
THIS DOCUMENT DEMANDS THAT YOU DO IT
YOUR WORK ON THIS ARCHAEOLGICAL
DIG AT ONCE

AS YOU CAN SEE IT'S SIGNED
BY THE KING HIMSELF

I CAN'T BE
THE KING CAN HE
HAS PERMISSION
TO DIG HERE
PERSONALLY!

AND NOW HE'S
WITHDRAWING

THAT BROOD! IT IS THE SYMBOL OF THE
EVIL DEMON KNOWN AS ZEON.

THIS MAN MUST BE A ZEONITE
I JUST CAN'T BELIEVE THE KING CAN BE
INVOLVED WITH THOSE LUNATICS

OUT OF
THE WAY

YOU HAVEN'T
HEARD THE LAST
OF THIS!

BACK ON GRANDEAL ISLAND IN
THE HOUSE OF MAXIMILLIAN

THIS IS YOUR
SWORD? BOY I CAN
HARDLY LIFT IT!

HOWE MY BOY THAT SWORD
IS MADE FROM PURE MITHRIL!
I USED IT AGAINST ZEON ALL
THOSE YEARS AGO!

YOUR GRANDFATHER FORCED ZEON
BACK THROUGH THE PORTAL AND
TRAPPED HIM IN THE ABYSS!

SURE, I KNOW THE STORIES!
GRANDFATHER WAS THE LEADER
OF A GROUP OF HEROES
THE SHINING FORCE!

ZYMK WAS ALSO
ONE OF THE SHINING
FORCE BUT NOW
WE TWO ARE THE
ONLY ONES LEFT

BUT ZYMK YOU
WERE SAYING
SOMETHING ABOUT
ZEON'S FOLLOWERS
HAVING A PLAN TO
BRING HIM BACK
FROM THE ABYSS!

IF THAT'S TRUE
THE WORLD OF RIME
NEEDS A NEW SHINING
FORCE AND A NEW
LEADER!

GRANDFATHER
WHY ARE YOU
LOOKING AT ME
LIKE THAT?

YES OF COURSE! BOWIE THE GRANDSON
OF THE KING'S MAJ. LEADER WILL FORM
A NEW SHINING FORCE!

TAYA
WHY YOU
SHUT UP!

KRAASH!

HOPE
YOU WILL
EXCUSE US
BARONS IN
THIS WAY

BARON KADAVAAAR:
DIDN'T EXPECT YOU TO
FIND ME SO SOON!

NO! ONLY

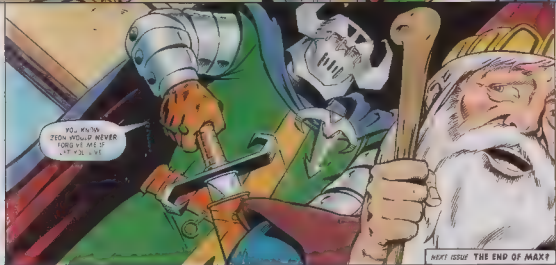
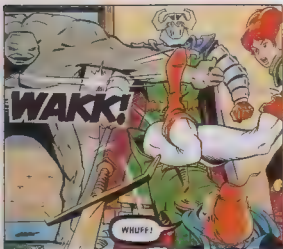
THIS ROBOT IS MY PROPERTY GOOD
PEOPLE THEREFORE I WILL REMOVE IT
GOLEM

NO!

THUDD!

AND OFF

TAYA!
WHAT ARE YOU
DOING?





Q ZONE

Q IS FOR QUESTION.

Q IS FOR QUERY.

Q IS FOR QUANTITY.

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SATURN SPECIAL

Chris Jones at SFC's Q Zone has come up with some handy hints for Saturn system users since the launch last year.



DAYTONA USA

Hurling around Daytona race track is a must for speed demons. This ace new Saturn racing game has been cranking up the revs ever since its release. Here are just a few ways for you to burn rubber and tinker with the games settings.



TOP TIPS

1. The number one tip for racing is to remember to Slipstream. This means when you want to overtake a car, drop in right behind it and you'll instantly pick up speed because the car in front is soaking up all the wind resistance.

Slipstreaming will allow you to bust your cars top speed and zoom off past an opponent.

2. Learn to drive into a Skid. This allows you to remain in control of the car and not waste vital seconds.
3. Get more Horsepower from the game by holding UP-LEFT on the D-pad, along with A, B, X, Z and START. This will give you access to all the cars (obtained through winning races) and a

metallic painted Horse that you can drive around the track -Way kidding!

- When you are in the pits, press A, B, C, and START, at the exact moment the pit crew remove your tyres. Once the race is over, watch the demo and you'll see that the crew have forgotten to put the wheels back on your vehicle - it's now a hover-car!
- Finally, play *Chicken* by racing the wrong way down the track. Do this by holding down START on the track select screen which will activate the mirror mode. Funnily enough, your race times will still be logged if you survive.

FASTER DRAGON



If, when playing this 3-D dragon riding game you suddenly think "More Speed, More Speed", then a 'wizard mode' is available to make this game super fast. Go to the title screen and enter L, R, L, R, Up, Down, Up, Down, Left and Right

For a special 'Space Harrier' mode go to the Saturn system options screen, change the language to German (Deutsch) and then at the title screen enter Up, X, Right, X, Down, X, Left, X, Up, Y and Z.

Finally, for a special edge in this game activate the 'barrel roll' mode. Go to the title screen and enter Up,

Right, Down, Left, Up, Right, Down, Left and Up. Barrel rolls are then available at any time by locking on and repeatedly pressing Right.



100% SPEED



If you are a mean fighting machine, then this Stage Select cheat is sure to make you punch drunk. For a Stage Select and the ability to alter the ring size, simply press Up on the title screen 12 times and then access the options screen. Go down to "exit" and press Down a few times to find a new options screen.



EAGER TO HELP TAILS IS ESCORTING A YOUNG MOUSE NAMED TANTRUM BACK HOME TO THE METROPOLIS ZONE HOWEVER THIS PROVES TO BE MORE TROUBLE THAN EXPECTED AS THEY ARE CHASED BY A BOUNTY HUNTER, AND THE MOUSE FALLS INTO A PIT SHAFT TAILS FOLLOWS

I GET A FEELING I'M GOING TO REGRET THIS!

TAILS!

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FOX ON THE RUN

THEY SAY TANTRUM ARE YOU ALRIGHT?

YES NO THANKS TO YOU I THOUGHT YOU WERE LOOKING AFTER ME!

I TRIED TO WARN YOU ABOUT THE POT-HOLE!

DON'T WANNA HEAR NO EXCUSES WANNA GO HOME WAAAAHHH

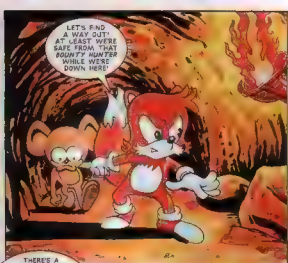
BOOM! BOOM!

LOOK OUT!



LOOK WHAT YOU DID! WE'RE TRAPPED DOWN HERE!

WHAT I DID IT WAS YOUR WAILING THAT CAUSED THE CAVE IN! OH WHAT'S THE USE?



LET'S FIND A WAY OUT! AT LEAST WE'RE SAFE FROM THAT BOUNTY HUNTER WHILE WE'RE DOWN HERE!



NOT ABOVE GROUND! FLEASYTE THE BOUNTY HUNTER ISN'T GIVING UP THAT EASILY!

IF THEM VARMINTS THINK PER ONE MINUTE THEY KIN GET AWAY FROM ME, THEY KIN THINK AGAIN!



THERE'S A REE-WARD ON THAT FOX'S HEAD AN' AHM GONNA TRACK HIM DOWN WITH THIS HERE INFRA-RED HEAT SCANNER BEE-VICE NYUK, NYUK!



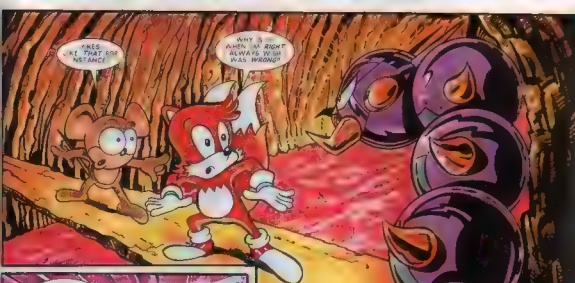
OH! YOU SWAP YOUR WASHING POWDER FOR A PACKET OF NEW IMPROVED JAZZEE!

OGHH DARN! PRESSED THE WRONG BUTTON!



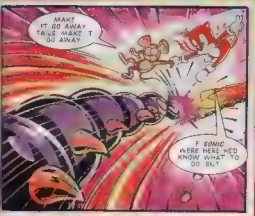
K DOWN BELOW

THIS IS THE SORT OF PLACE YOU'D FIND BOUNTY HUNTERS AROUND IN!



YES,
I THAT FOR
INSTANCE

WHY IS
WHEN AM RIGHT
ALWAYS WHEN
WAS WRONG?



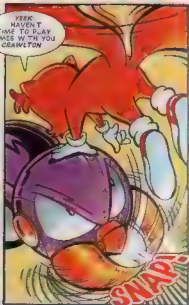
MAKE
IT GO AWAY
TALES MAKE IT
GO AWAY

I SONIC
WERE HERE WED
KNOW WHAT TO
DO BUT



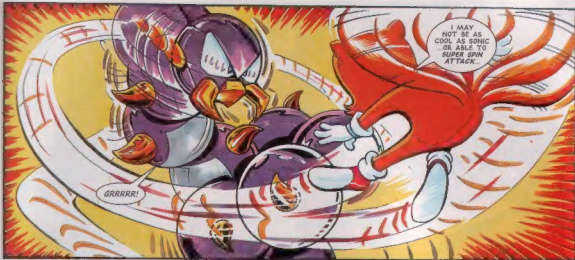
YOU'RE
USELESS
AM TAKING
MY CHANCES
BACK THIS
WAY

TANTRUM
CAME BACK
YOU'RE HEADING FOR
A DEAD-END
THAT WAY



YEEK
HAVEN'T
TIME TO PLAY
JAMES WITH YOU
CRAWLTON

SNAP!





THE
BRIDGE
COLLAPSED!
SAVE ME,
TAILS!



YOU'RE
ASKING ME FOR
HELP? DIDN'T YOU
JUST CALL ME
USELESS?



WAAAAHHH!

OKAY!
OKAY!



HURRY,
FLY US TO SAFETY!
I DON'T LIKE
HEIGHTS!

GASP!
STOP STRUGGLING!
I'M GETTING TIRED! I
DON'T KNOW IF I CAN
FLY FOR MUCH
LONGER...



IT'S NO
GOOD... HEAT
MAKING ME DIZZY...
YIKES!

I WAS
RIGHT! YOU ARE
USELESS!

NEXT ISSUE: TIME FOR A HOT BATH?



SPEED LINES

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... OR USE THE E-MAIL SERVICE (SEE BELOW FOR DETAILS).

STC AWOL!

Dear Megadroid,

Why doesn't everybody at STC take a long well deserved holiday for all the great work done on the comic?

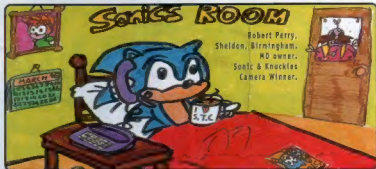
Rebecca Anderson, Stockton-on-Tees, Cleveland.
MD owner.
Sonic & Knuckles Camera Winner.



'Rebecca', aye? Well, you don't fool me - I suspect this is a plant by the humes-who-think-they're-in-charge?



Michael Freer, Fitzwilliam, W Yorks.
MD owner.
Sonic & Knuckles Camera Winner.



Robert Perry,
Sheldon, Birmingham.
MD owner.
Sonic & Knuckles
Camera Winner.

SHAW THING!

Dear Megadroid,

Now that Spring is in the air, I think it's about time you got yourself a girlfriend to join you at STC. What do you think?
Matthew Shaw, Wellesbourne, Warwickshire.
MCD & MD owner.
Sonic & Knuckles Camera Winner.



Perhaps, Matthew, eligible droids should write to Droid Dating Agency c/o STC! Only Mk II and later models need apply!

GET THE NACK!

Dear Megadroid,

I'm concerned about Nack the Weasel because the last time he appeared in STC issue 58, he was shot by a Metallix. Can you tell me how he is?
Martin Hemingway, Batley, W Yorks.
Sonic & Knuckles Camera Winner.



You can find the wily weasel Martin, alive and kicking in the forthcoming Knuckles Knock-out Special.

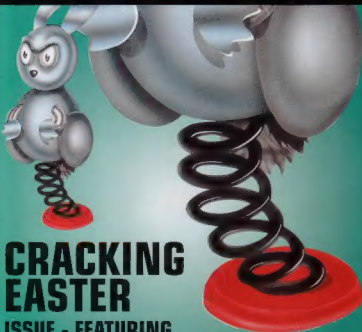
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NEXT ISSUE SPRINGTIME!



CRACKING EASTER

ISSUE - FEATURING

SPLATS BADNIK PIN-UP!

SONIC!

EGGCELLENT COMPLETE STORY!

TAILS!

OUT OF THE FRYING PAN!

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KNUCKLES!

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BAND/SINGER IS

MY SEGA SYSTEM ...

TICK-

GG ☐ MCD ☐ MD ☐

MM ☐ MS ☐ 32X ☐

SATURN ☐

SEGA GAME INTO STRIP!

I WOULD LIKE TO SEE

..... AS A COMIC STRIP IN STC.

**THIS ISSUE'S
MEGA HITS!**

1ST CHOICE

2ND CHOICE

3RD CHOICE

YOUR RATING FOR ISSUE 74

%



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